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In re the application of: Panasyuk et al.

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Examiner: Henning, Matthew T.

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 13, 2006, the response period for which is extended to December 13, 2006, by the accompanying Request for a Three Month Extension of Time and preliminary to further examination in accordance with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

An Appendix including a replacement drawing figure is attached following page 16 of this paper.

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